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Belcourt Woman Pleads Guilty in Stabbing Incident

BISMARCK - Acting United States Attorney Lynn Jordheim announced that on May 24, 2010, **Crystal J. Morin**, 30, of Belcourt, North Dakota, pleaded guilty before United States District Court Judge Daniel L. Hovland to a count of assault with a dangerous weapon.

During the early morning hours of April 19, 2009, Morin stabbed the victim in the chest with a knife outside the victim's residence after a dispute between the victim and another male. The injury the victim sustained was not life threatening.

The charge of assault with a dangerous weapon carries a statutory maximum penalty of 10 years and a \$250,000 fine.

The case was investigated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs - Turtle Mountain Agency, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and Belcourt Police Department.

Sentencing for Morin has not been scheduled.

Assistant United States Attorney Brandi Sasse Russell is prosecuting the case.

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